

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A timing display device for use in games or sports, characterized in that the timing display device has a first end, a second end, and at least one intermediate location, the timing display device having a first indicating means which is arranged to move between the first end and the intermediate location, and a second indicating means which is arranged to move between the second end and the intermediate location, the first and second indicating means being arranged to move in unison towards the intermediate location such that the end of a predetermined time period is indicated by the meeting of the first and second indicating means at the intermediate location.
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Currently Amended) A timing display device as claimed in claim 1, wherein characterized in that each indicating means comprises a plurality of lights arranged between a respective end and the intermediate location, wherein the lights are sequentially turned off from an outermost light to a light adjacent the intermediate location.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) A timing display device as claimed in claim 3, characterized in that wherein lights of two colours are provided, wherein the timing device can be used to show a first time period using lights of one colour and a second time period using lights of another colour.

6. (Original) A timing display device as claimed in claim 5, wherein the first and second time periods may add together to form an overall time period.

7. (Currently Amended) A method of displaying a shot clock period in basketball, characterized in that wherein the method includes the step of mounting a display device as claimed in claim 1 onto a basketball backboard such that the intermediate location is vertically aligned with the centre of the backboard, and operating the timing device so as to show a period of 24 seconds.

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Cancelled)